## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI ST. JOSEPH DIVISION

RightCHOICE Managed Care, Inc., et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Hospital Partners, Inc.; Hospital Laboratory Partners, LLC; Empower H.I.S. LLC; LifeBrite Laboratories, LLC; RAJ Enterprises of Central Florida, LLC d/b/a Pinnacle Laboratory Services; Labmed Services, LLC; SeroDynamics, LLC; Lucenta Labs, LLC; David Byrns; Jorge Perez; Christian Fletcher; James F. Porter, Jr.; Beau Gertz; and Mark Blake. Civil Action No. 5:18-CV-06037-DGK

STIPULATION REGARDING ENTRY OF AMENDED HIPAA QUALIFIED AND GENERAL PROTECTIVE ORDER

Defendants.

Discovery in this matter involves the production or disclosure of sensitive information that requires a heightened level of confidentiality, including protected health information as defined in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. The parties originally stipulated to a Stipulated HIPAA Qualified and General Protective Order (the "Current Protective Order") on October 18, 2018. (Dkt. 116.) As discovery has progressed, the parties¹ have determined that data maintained in certain databases is relevant to this matter and that, because such data must be transmitted in native form, the Current Protective Order does not sufficiently protect that information. Accordingly, the parties have conferred

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As used herein, the term "parties" includes all parties other than Defendant Hospital Partners, Inc., whose counsel is currently not in communication with his client.

and agreed upon the terms of an Amended Stipulated HIPAA Qualified and General Protective Order that the parties agree provides sufficient protection to this type of data. Therefore, the parties hereby stipulate to and request that the Court enter the Amended HIPAA Qualified and General Protective Order submitted to the Court herewith.

Respectfully submitted this 25th day of July 2019.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that the foregoing was filed electronically with the United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri, through the Court's CM/ECF system, on the 25th day of July 2019, with notice of case activity sent to counsel of record.

/s/ Michael L. Jente